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FOR THE SAME AND RECORDING MEDIUM FOR RECORDING CONTROL  
PROGRAM FOR THE SAME

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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. H08-180504, published

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2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. H11-220675, published

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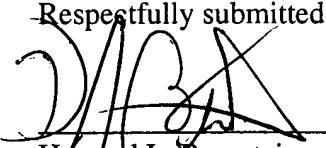
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